

United States Government
FY 02 Trade Capacity Building Assistance (\$US)
KAZAKHSTAN

| Activity Title | Activity Description | TCB Category | FY 02 Total |
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| Banking Supervision | This activity supports the National Bank of Kazakhstan Bank Supervision Department. The sound banking sector is vital for the growth of the financial sector and trade. The Banking Supervision Department plays an important role in ensuring that the commercial banks comply with the principles of sound and transparent financial transactions. This activity directly supports the principles of accountability and good governance in the financial sector. Funded and implemented by USAID/Central Asian Republics. | Financial Sector Dev. & Good Governance | 661,000 |
| CITES Training | Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan and other Newly Independent states are significant players in international wildlife trade and it is a priority to build their capacity to control and monitor this trade. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will provide, to thirty five students, (in July 2002) a one-week training course on implementation of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora to build their capacity to monitor and regulate international wildlife trade. Funded by Department of State and implemented by Department of Interior. | Business Services & Training | 35,213 |
| | | Environmental Trade & Standards | 3,913 |
| | | Activity Total | 39,125 |
| Capacity Building in the Former Soviet Union: Biological Research | With funding from the Department of State Freedom Support Act, ARS is cooperating with former Soviet biological weapons scientists to redirect their efforts to peaceful, agricultural research. This ARS program advances basic and applied research in agriculture and supports the transition of the Newly Independent States to a market economy by strengthening scientific communities and integrating NIS scientists into the international community. The development of new agricultural technologies that can be commercialized provides an economic incentive for FSU scientists and will contribute to the long-term sustainability of FSU institutes. Funded by Department of State and implemented by USDA/ARS. | Trade-Related Agriculture | 1,071,000 |

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| Enterprise Development | A Regional Trade Promotion service provides trade opportunities both within Central Asia and between Central Asia and other parts of the world, through the wide use of an e-commerce website facility. Regional Trade Promotion, available to Small and Medium Enterprises in all Central Asian Republics, provides an Internet-based market place at www.smetradecenter.net linking buyers and sellers in Central Asia with each other and with the Global Market. The second component delivered by the SME Development project is Business Advisory Services (BAS). The objective of the BAS component is to provide SMEs with targeted consulting services. Business advisors assist SMEs by assessing their businesses and helping them to build and implement a strategy to resolve identified growth challenges. The third component is Business Training. In Kazakhstan the SME Development project offers Customized Training. The Customized Training schemes achieve maximum impact by providing specialized courses in topics that enhance the professional skills of all staff from top management down to line staff. Funded and implemented by USAID/Central Asian Republics. | E-Commerce & IT | 750,000 |
| | | Export Promotion | 750,000 |
| | | Business Services & Training | 1,000,000 |
| | | Activity Total | 2,500,000 |
| Financial Sector Initiative (FSI) | The primary objective of the Financial Sector Initiative (FSI) is to strengthen the various components of Kazakhstan's emerging financial sector--fixed-income capital markets, mortgage lending, the insurance industry and the private pension fund system. Virtually all components of FSI contribute to some degree to Trade Capacity Building, inasmuch as all of them improve Kazakhstan's legal and financial infrastructure and enhance the country's private sector for foreign investment. Funded and implemented by USAID/Central Asian Republics. | Financial Sector Dev. & Good Governance | 2,295,000 |
| Fiscal Reform | USAID is working on the areas of tax, improved budget development, and improved intergovernmental finance. By demonstrating the importance of sound, simple tax policy, and the need for accurate policy analysis methods, USAID is bringing about a stable, equitable fiscal sector. In addition, work in this area has increased efficiency and improved tax administration. To further assist in the development of a sound fiscal environment, USAID is assisting oblast and city administrations improve their budget and finances processes. Funded and implemented by USAID/Central Asian Republics. | Financial Sector Dev. & Good Governance | 338,750 |
| | | Gov/Transparency & Inter-Agency Coord. | 1,016,250 |
| | | Activity Total | 1,355,000 |

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| Trade and Investment | USAID is assisting Kazakhstan to meet the necessary requirements to apply for accession to the World Trade Organization (WTO). USAID also helps the State Customs Committee to join and implement the Amended Kyoto Convention in setting international customs standards and procedures, to assess the existing customs regime, and to prepare and implement a customs modernization plan. USAID is designing a pilot project to identify constraints to investment and trade at the Oblast Level. USAID is working with SMEs, business associations and oblast officials to mitigate or remove constraints to SME development. Funded and implemented by USAID/Central Asian Republics. | WTO Awareness | 65,000 |
| | | Customs Operation & Administration | 325,000 |
| | | Regional Trade Agreements (RTA) | 65,000 |
| | | Environmental Trade & Standards | 195,000 |
| | | Gov/Transparency & Inter-Agency Coord. | 650,000 |
| | | Activity Total | 1,300,000 |
| FY02 Total USG Trade Capacity Building Assistance to KAZAKHSTAN | | | 9,221,125 |